

## Message Text

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ACTION EA-12

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05 H-01  
INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 SP-02 SS-15  
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R 250910Z AUG 78  
FM AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 953  
INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
AMEMBASSY JAKARTA  
AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR  
AMEMBASSY MANILA  
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ASEAN, UR  
SUBJECT: SOVIET-ASEAN TALKS?

1. AUG 25 ASIAN WALL STREET JOURNAL CARRIES ARTICLE  
FROM KUALA LUMPUR REPORTING THAT SOVIETS HAVE BEEN  
"TAKING SOUNDINGS ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING TALKS  
WITH MEMBERS OF ASEAN." ARTICLE CITES ASEAN DIPLOMATS  
AS SOURCE.

2. MFA OFFICIAL TELLS US GOS HAS NOT HEARD OF ANY  
SOUNDINGS ON SOVIET-ASEAN TALKS, ALTHOUGH IN RECENT  
WEEKS SOVIETS HERE HAVE BEEN PROBING ON GOS REACTION  
TO VIETNAMESE APPROACHES TO ASEAN, ASKING WHY GOS IS  
NOT MORE RESPONSIVE TO FRIENDLY OVERTURES.

3. INCIDENTALLY, MFA OFFICIAL MENTIONED THAT NEW  
SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO MALAYSIA IS "MUCH MORE SUAVE"  
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THAN HIS PREDECESSOR AND MAY BE MAKING SOME INQUIRIES IN KL.  
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## Message Attributes

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